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SUBJECT: ARGENTINE SUPPLY OF PARTS FOR CHILEAN C-130S

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(B) STATE 168377 (STATE 032009Z JULY)

1. BY MUTUAL AGREEMENT, ARGENTINE AIR FORCE HAD BEEN PERFORMING MAJOR INSPECTIONS AND PERIODIC MAINTENANCE ON CHILEAN C-130S AT THE EL PALOMAR AIR BASE NEAR BUENOS AIRES. USMILGP AND DAO HAVE ATTEMPTED TO DETERMINE SOURCE OF THE PARTS THAT WERE USED FOR CHILEAN C-130S WHEN THEY WENT THROUGH THE INSPECTION AND REPAIR FACILITY AT EL PALOMAR. TO DATE WE HAVE NOT BEEN SUCCESSFUL. A USDAO SOURCE STATED THAT SOME OF THE PARTS WERE PROVIDED BY THE CHILEANS, SOME FROM THE PARTS SUPPLY OF THE ARGENTINE AIR FORCE, AND SOME MINOR PARTS THAT THE ARGENTINE AIR FORCE SUPPOSEDLY MANUFACTURED LOCALLY.

2. ACCORDING TO THE USMILGP, THE ARGENTINES HAVE A SUPPLY SUPPORT AGREEMENT WHICH COVERED C-130 PARTS. WE DO NOT HAVE INFORMATION CONCERNING A POSSIBLE SUPPLY SUPPORT AGREEMENT WITH THE CHILEAN AIR FORCE, BUT IF
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SUCH AN AGREEMENT EXISTS THAT MAY BE THE ORIGIN OF PARTS REFERRED TO BY SOURCE.

3. IN LIGHT OF OUR INABILITY TO GET A FIRM ANSWER TO YOUR QUESTION ABOUT ORIGINAL SOURCE OF THE PARTS FOR THE CHILEAN C-130S, RECOMMEND YOU CHECK WITH LOCKHEED, OR OTHER AGENCIES IN THE WASHINGTON AREA.

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